

Finance Ministry pays tribute to hero Saman Kuman

The Ministry of Finance has paid tribute to Navy Petty Officer First Class Saman Kuman, who died during the rescue mission in the Tham Luang Khun Nam Nang Non Cave at the Tham Luang-Khun Nam Nang Non Forest Park, Mae Sai District, Chiang Rai Province on July 6, 2018, with a compensation payment of Bt495,000 to his heir.

Ms. Suttirat Rattanachote, Director General of the Comptroller General's Department, said that **Mr. Prasong Poontaneat, Permanent**

Secretary for Finance, decided to hold a meeting to consider assistance measures for the family of Navy Petty Officer First Class Saman on July 11, 2018. Navy Petty Officer First Class Saman died heroically after volunteering to help deliver oxygen tanks during the recent rescue mission in Tham Luang Cave.

The Permanent Secretary for Finance, in his capacity as Chairman of the Disaster Relief Committee, assigned **Mr. Chakkrit Parapuntakul, Deputy Permanent Secretary, Chief of the Expense and Debt Cluster,** to chair the meeting, which considered measures under the Act on Aid to Sufferers Due to Official Assistances, Execution of State Functions or Performance of Humanitarian Duties, B.E. 2543 (2000) and approved the payment of Bt450,000 in compensation to the heir of the late Navy Petty Officer First Class Saman plus an additional Bt45,000 for funeral expenses, totaling Bt495,000.

The Ministry of Finance has assigned the Comptroller General's Department, represented by its Chiang Rai Provincial Comptroller and Roi Et Provincial Comptroller to disburse the funds to the family of Navy Petty Officer First Class Saman.

The Act on Aid to Sufferers Due



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to Official Assistances, Execution of State Functions or Performance of Humanitarian Duties, B.E. 2543 (2000) was promulgated to provide assistance to those who suffer whilst extending their assistance to tasks of the government or nation, in carrying out their duties, in rendering assistance to other people as prescribed by the law, or in performing humanitarian work as a good citizen, which are not contrary to the orders of a competent official. The assistance is awarded as

compensation for death, loss of organs or blindness to a maximum amount of Bt450,000 where the loss represents a major obstacle to the occupation or livelihood of the person. In addition to the compensation, victims are entitled to a monthly living allowance of about Bt7,500 per month for life.

The Comptroller General's Department under the Ministry of Finance places importance on supporting good members of

society and recognizes that if citizens are harmed while rendering humanitarian assistance they should be compensated by the government. Members of the public who witness someone performing a good deed under dangerous circumstances may notify district director in Bangkok where the incident occurred or district-chief officer in other provinces. Additional details are available at www.cgd.go.th or the Salary and Pension Disbursement Management Division Facebook page.



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